**PATENT** 

Customer No.: 30734

Sérial No.: 10/717,575 Docket No.: 87269.4042

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In re Application of:			
	Richard K. HOOFARD, et al.	)	Confirmation No.: 9401
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Application No.: 10/717,575		)	Group Art Unit: 3671
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Filed:	November 21, 2003	)	Examiner: Raymond W. ADDIE
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For:	SUPPORT LEG SYSTEM AND ME	ETHOD	FOR SUPPORTING A DOCK LEVELER

## RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION

## **Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 8, 2005, to which a response is due without an extension by January 8, 2006. In the Office Action, provisionally elected claims 1-7 and 17-23 were allowed, and prosecution on the merits was closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle. In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner allow all claims pending in the application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.